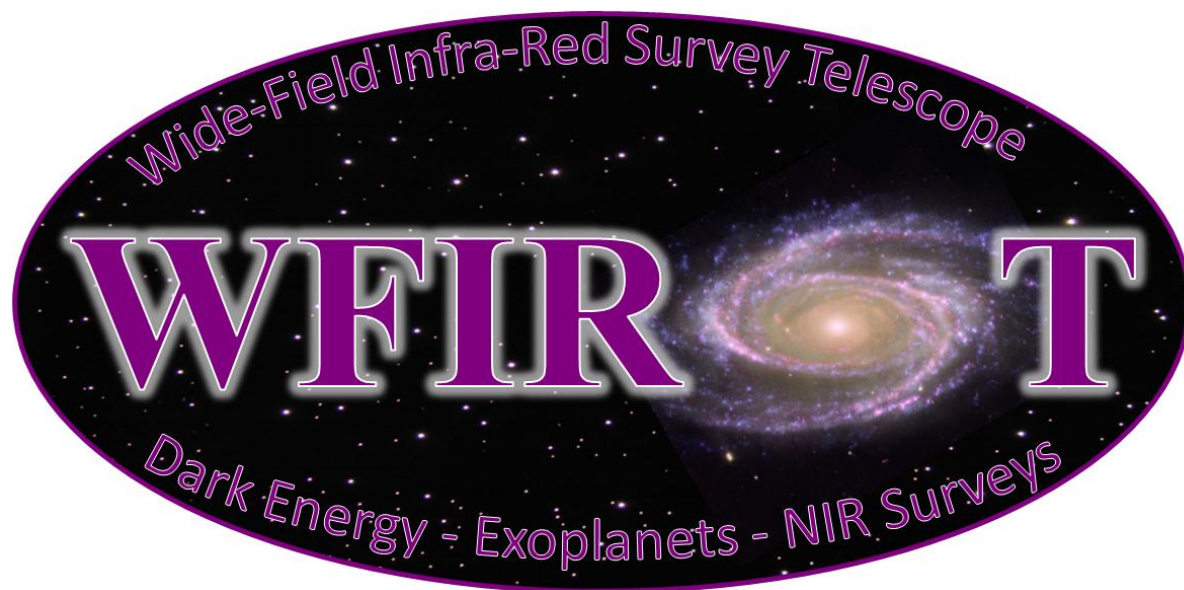


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AFTA - Wide-Field Infrared Survey Telescope



Project Overview

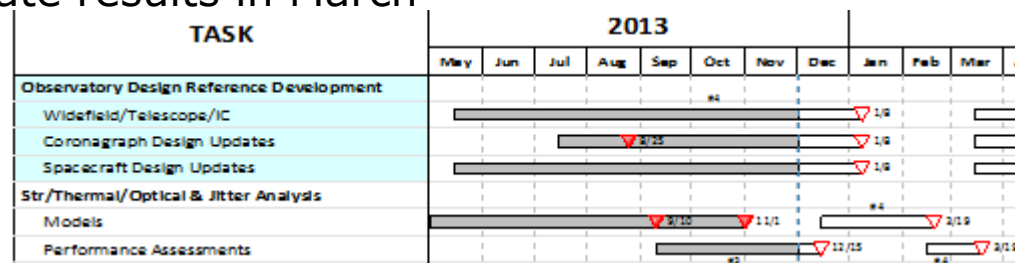
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Overview Recent Accomplishments (1 of 3)

- Cycle #3 STOP analysis results and preliminary jitter assessment
 - Preliminary assessment of GEO thermal environment. Results favorable for widefield and coronagraph.
 - Early jitter results: significant work lies ahead but initial results meet widefield requirements and the combination of observatory pointing and the coronagraph's LOWFS indicate a jitter level that enables compelling exoplanet science.

- Cycle #4 design in process

- Anticipate results in March



- 2.5 micron cutoff assessment

- Telescope proxy subassemblies successfully tested at cold temperature without degradation; CTE and stress measurements of coupons in process.

Overview Recent Accomplishments (2 of 3)

- AFTA coronagraph architecture downselect
 - HQ selected Occulting Mask Coronagraph (HL & SP hybrid) as the primary architecture; PIAA-CMC is the back-up.
- Pointing simulation development
 - Closed loop simulation under development to assess pointing stability, slew and settle performance for survey. Will incorporate coronagraph tip/tilt as design evolves to provide better assessment of coronagraph performance.
- Requirements development
 - Level 1 and 2 efforts underway
- Initiated grism prototype fabrication effort.
- Payload I&T calibration
 - Maturation of the payload integration approach planned for later this year.
- Schedule & LCC: focused on budget process for nearterm

Overview Recent Accomplishments (2 of 3)

- IR detectors
 - Will discuss some very preliminary results from a few of the initial detectors fabricated.
 - Results look encouraging; a lot of work lies ahead.
- Coronagraph technology
 - Plan under development to mature technology by end of FY16.

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